



Tenacious readers

After a close Bacon Bowl Battle of the Books contest Feb. 28, Delphi Community High School's Tenacious Piratical Ninja Overlords re-claimed the skillet from Carroll's NURDS. Pictured are the Overlords, left to right: Kneeling - Marlaina Scowden, Leigh Replogle, Kim Lambirth, Brittney Ballard and Megan Veach. Standing - Nick Force, Rebecca Shoemaker, Amanda Payne, Jimmy Reed and Chloe Fivecoate. Photo provided



Happy despite loss

Carroll students visited Delphi for the Bacon Bowl Battle of the Books Feb. 28. Although unsuccessful in keeping the coveted skillet at their school, the students had an enjoyable time in the friendly competition. Carroll's team members are pictured, left to right: Carissa Hicks, Aurora Shands, Adam Tussinger, Kristen Arnett, Greg Manning, Kristen Myer, Sean Smith, Matthew Morehouse, Kevin Eikenberry and Kevin Ives. Photo provided

Delphi wrests 'Battle of Books' skillet from Carroll

By Kevin Schnepf
Staff writer

Delphi and Carroll high schools squared off Feb. 28 in the Bacon Bowl Battle of Books, a reading competition between the two county high schools. After losing a close match last year, Delphi emerged with

a 119-111 victory, earning the right to keep the skillet at DCHS for the coming year.

Students from both schools were assigned 10 books to read. Each school held local contests to determine which teams would represent them in the cross-county battle.

Contestants were asked 150 questions based on the as-

signed books at the final event in Delphi.

Both teams got off to a slow start, missing the first five questions each. After fending off a last-minute surge by Carroll's NURDS team, the Overlords from DCHS prevailed.

Delphi teams were sponsored by Friends of Delphi Public Library, Rotary Club,

Lions Club, Psi Iota Xi and Tri Kappa. Books for Delphi were purchased through Gifted and Talented funds.

Grants from Carroll County REMC, Carroll County Advocates for Literacy and a donation from Flora Psi Iota Xi

Sorority supported Carroll teams.

Carroll will host the junior

high version of the competition, "Bacon Bits Battle of the Books," on March 19.

Half and full-day available DCSC Kindergarten enrollment approaching

By Kevin Schnepf
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Kindergarten Round-Up is approaching for Hillcrest and Camden elementary schools for the 2007-08 school year.

Hillcrest enrollment will be April 4 and Camden will be April 5, with both between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Either half-day and full-day kindergarten will be offered. A fee, payable later, will be charged for full-day kindergarten.

The enrollment process will take an hour. During that time, enrollment forms will be completed and health examinations including speech, hearing and eye exams will be administered.

A description of school and community programs will be available and transportation questions will be addressed.

During regular kindergarten school hours on the day of enrollment, parents and children will have the opportunity to observe the kindergarten program in progress and meet one of the teachers.

Eligible students must reside in the Delphi Community School Corporation district as well as within the elementary school attendance boundary and must be five years old on or before Aug. 1, 2007. A birth certificate and immunization records are required. A divorce decree stating custody of the child is required when applicable.

Parents unable to attend Hillcrest enrollment should call the school office at (765) 564-3895 to make necessary arrangements. For those unable to attend Camden enrollment, call (574) 686-



Shedding light on achievement

Delphi Community High School Class of 1975 recently donated a display case to the high school. The case was designed to house some of the 60-odd scholarships given each year by county businesses, residents and organizations. Class of '75 graduates are the only Delphi class to give a scholarship. Class sponsor Norm Miller said he hopes others will follow suit in donating new cases. "The old cases in the school are dilapidated and dangerous," he said. "The school and community deserve recognition for their generosity." Pictured with the display case, left to right, are Delphi class of '75 graduate Ken Walton, Miller and '75 graduate Jerry Sparks. Comet photo by Kevin Schnepf

New displays shed light on DCHS scholarships

By Kevin Schnepf
Staff writer

Carroll County businesses, organizations and individuals offer about 60 scholarships annually to Delphi Community High School students. It seems only fitting to display plaques honoring both givers and receivers out for all to see.

Such was the mindset of Delphi Community High School's Class of 1975 when they decided to donate a display case to the school.

The class employed the services of local craftsman Curt Owen to produce a case which would house a class of '75 scholarship plaque along with a few others from the community.

Norm Miller, who sponsored the class of '75, said the community deserves recognition for such generosity.

"This community is very giving of scholarships," Miller explained. "They just need a little credit."

Class of '75 graduate Ken Walton, who was credited for suggesting at the reunion to display the plaques, said he hopes other organizations will follow suit.

"The awards will be visible to the students and the public," Walton said. "That should help raise awareness that the scholarships are available."

Classmate Jerry Sparks added the new display would draw attention to those who

provide the scholarships and help improve the school atmosphere.

"The case looks great," Sparks began. "The school has had some of the same display cases in here since we were students. This is a great way to display these achievements," he concluded.

Staff and visitors to the high school liked the cases so much they had two similar cases made to house a variety of scholastic and athletic honors. Miller said he was happy the new case was received well.

"We appreciate what the school and the community do," he said. "This is simply a way to display that appreciation."

Knights cage Cougars

By Greg Hoffman
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Carroll's defensive play against Lafayette Central Catholic was a lot better the second time around than a recent game at CHS, but the outcome was the same. The Knights downed the Cougars 58-37 in the first round of the Frontier Class A Sectional.

The big factor in the game last Tuesday night was Carroll's inability to handle CC's quickness on the defensive end. The Cougars had 26 turnovers that turned into layups for CC. The Knights had 30 points off of Carroll miscues.

Unlike the Feb. 23 contest, the Cougars were able to stay with the Knights early. A fielder by Riley Eller gave the Cougars the lead at 2-1. CC

took the lead for good at 10-4. A trey by Eller and fielder by Jacob Craig pulled the Cougars to within one at 10-9. This would be as close as Carroll would get the rest of the night. The Knights led 12-9 after one.

Twelve second quarter turnovers by Carroll helped CC outscore the Cougars 18-7 in the period and to a 14-point advantage by half-time, 30-16. Carroll had 18 turnovers in the first half and the Knights had 11 steals. Defensively the Cougars held CC's two big men - Will Hubertz (20.7 ppg) and Daniel Mills (10.1 ppg) scoreless in the first half. The pair had 22 points in the first half of the Feb. 23 game. But on this night, Hubertz was held to 7 points and Mills to 2 points.

An Adam Tussinger fielder to start the second half pulled

Carroll to within 12 at 30-18, but CC pushed their lead out to 21 points at 45-24 after three. They held their biggest lead of the game at 52-26 with 4.40 left in the game.

Eller led the Cougars in scoring with 12 points and Tussinger added 8 points. CC guards combined for 41 points. Dru Anthrop had 17 points off the bench with Sam Walker added 16 points and Jade Anthrop 8 points.

With the turnovers, Carroll only attempted 34 field goals and they connected on 17 of them for 50 percent, while CC was 25 of 47, 53%. There were only six free throws attempted in the game as CC was 4 of 6.

The last time Carroll did not attempt a free throw in a game was on Jan. 6, 1979, at Winamac.

By Brad Brummett
Contributing sportswriter

Fountain Central (11-10) played with enthusiasm and emotion the entire game last Tuesday night in opening round action of the North Montgomery Sectional. They were playing for the first time since the loss of junior Andy Krout. Fountain Central, the eventual sectional runner-up, defeated the Oracles 48-36.

The Mustangs led Delphi by three points at the end of the first and second periods. Justin Krout hit one of his three treys for the night at the half-time buzzer. Michael Myers had ten points, Kory Banes and Dustin Oliver had four points each and the Ora-

cles trailed 21-18 at half.

A low scoring third quarter for Delphi kept the Mustangs charged up, as Fountain Central built a 12-point lead, 37-25.

Fountain Central played tight, in-your-face defense the entire night, leading to 18 Oracle turnovers. The Oracles were able to force 14 Mustang turnovers, resulting in a couple of fast break baskets.

A smaller Mustang squad was able to pull down two more rebounds than the Oracles. Again, a slow third quarter spelled doom for the Oracles (2-19).

Myers led the Oracles with 16 points and 8 rebounds. Justin Krout and Rodney Carver were double figure scorers for the Mus-

tangs with 12 and 11 points, respectively.

Fountain Central went on to beat Seeger 49-44 Friday night and met North Montgomery in the championship game. Fountain Central finished the season 12-11.

North Mont beat Clinton Central 72-65 to get to the sectional championship game. The Chargers won their third consecutive sectional title and advance to the regional with an 18-4 record, ranked 8th in class 2A.

Correction for the Rensselaer game: I inadvertently misplaced a sheet from my notes. Final score was 68-55. Kory Banes had 2 additional scores in the final minute, finishing with 8 points. Sorry, Kory.



Working hard for 2

Carroll's Justin Brown (#3) slips around a Central Catholic defender during first round sectional action at Frontier. Adam Tussinger (#55) follows the play, however the Cougars came up short in the end, 58-37. Bill Stauffer photo